449. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether there was any dissenting note by any of the members that constituted the Tribunal that the election petition praying for declaring the bye-election in the Nellayi General constituency void ;

(*b*) if there was a dissenting note by whom was it made ;

(c) what is the dissenting note ?

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Constitutional Adviser):*

(*a*) There was no dissenting note attached to the report. But among the records received from the President of the Commission, there was a letter to the President from one of the Commissioners stating that he agreed only with the conclusions that Mr. C. R. Ivyunni has not been duly elected and that Messrs. V. R. Krishnan Ezhuthassan and P Aryan Nambudiri committed the corrupt practices recorded in the Report. He also stated that he agreed with the contents of paragraphs 36, 38, 39 and 40 of the report.

(*b*) & (c) Please see answer to sub-division (*a*).

450. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Vadakkancheri*) : Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether requests for condonation of disqualification incurred by the other two individuals than M. R. Ry. P. Govinda Menon had been made by any or both of them ;

(*b*) if requests had been received, when the same had been received ;

(c) what has been done with such request or requests ?

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Constitutional Adviser):*

(*a*) A petition has been received from one of them asking for a hearing through his advocate.

(*b*) On 13th March 1947.

(c) It is under the consideration of Government.

451. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) when the report of the Election Tribunal, referred to in Government Notification No. 23, published as a Gazette Extraordinary was received by the Government;

(*b*) whether the condonation thereby granted was granted by the Government suo moto or on the request of the individual concerned;

(c) what were the reasons which prevailed with the Government for—

(*i*) granting the condonation; and

(*ii*) for granting the condonation even before the publication of the report of the Commissioners and the Government orders thereon?

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Constitutional Adviser):*

(*a*) The report was received on 11th March 1947.

(*b*) On an application by the individual concerned.

(c) (*i*) Vide reasons explained in the Press Communique issued by Government on 27th March 1947.

(*ii*) Prompt orders were issued because under the Cochin Legislative Council Electoral Rules the disqualification will be incurred not from the date of orders of Government but from the date of the report. It was therefore but fair that the authority statutorily vested with the right of removing the disqualification should take a decision promptly.

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(എ) സ്റ്റേറ്റിൽ ആകെ എത്ര ഗ്രാമീണവായനശാലകൾ ഉണ്ട് ;

(ബി) ഇവയിൽ അധ:കൃതർക്കു പ്രവേശനമില്ലാത്ത ഏതെങ്കിലും വായനശാലകൾ ഉള്ളതായി ഗവണ്മെണ്ടിന്റെ ദൃഷ്ടിയിൽ പെട്ടിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

മിസ്റ്റർ പി. ഗോവിന്ദമേനോൻ :

(എ) പ്രമാണം.

(ബി) ഇല്ല.

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